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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6988 NOTE PREPARED: Dec 30, 2002

BILL NUMBER: HB 1577 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Safety Belt Usage.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Day

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State & Local

DEDICATED FEDERAL

Summary of Legislation: The bill requires every occupant of a motor vehicle to wear a safety belt, with certain exceptions. It removes conflicting language in the passenger restraint system law that was declared invalid by the Indiana Supreme Court. The bill provides that the operator of a motor vehicle commits a Class D infraction if a passenger in the motor vehicle is less than 12 years of age and is not restrained by a child passenger restraint system or safety belt and repeals a similar provision in current law that applies only to passenger motor vehicles.

Effective Date: July 1, 2003.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues: If additional court cases occur, revenue to the state General Fund may increase if infraction judgments are collected. The maximum judgment for a Class D infraction is \$25 which is deposited in the state General Fund.

If a criminal action, infraction, or ordinance violation involves a traffic violation, including this proposed offense, a Highway Work Zone Fee of either 50 cents or \$25.50 is assessed.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

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Local Agencies Affected: Trial courts, local law enforcement agencies.

Information Sources:

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